

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 574**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Yee**

February 18, 2003

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An act to add Section 9250.16 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 574, as introduced, Yee. Vehicles: registration: local charge.

Existing law prohibits a local agency from imposing a fee for the privilege of using its streets, except as authorized in the Vehicle Code.

This bill would authorize the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors by ordinance or resolution to require a fee in an amount to be established by the city and county board of supervisors to be paid at the time of registration or renewal of registration of every vehicle registered to an address within the city and county, in addition to any other fees specified in the Vehicle Code and the Revenue and Taxation Code, except those vehicles expressly exempted from payment of registration fees. The fee would apply to any original registration occurring on or after the January 1 following the date of adoption of the ordinance and to any renewal of registration with an expiration date on or after that January 1.

The bill would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to distribute the revenues derived from the fee to the city and county, after deducting all costs incurred pursuant to these provisions.

The bill would require that money allocated to the city and county under these provisions be expended only to fund programs for the construction, improvement, and maintenance of local streets and highways in the City and County of San Francisco.

(2) This bill would declare that, due to the unique circumstances pertaining to the City and County of San Francisco that the bill is intended to remedy, a general statute within the meaning of specified provisions of the California Constitution cannot be made applicable and a special statute is necessary.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 9250.16 is added to the Vehicle Code,  
2 to read:

3 9250.16. (a) For purposes of this section, “county” means  
4 the City and County of San Francisco.

5 (b) In addition to any other fees specified in this code and the  
6 Revenue and Taxation Code, a fee in an amount to be determined  
7 by the county board of supervisors shall be paid at the time of  
8 registration or renewal of registration of every vehicle registered  
9 to an address within the county, except those vehicles expressly  
10 exempted from payment of registration fees, if the county board  
11 of supervisors adopts an ordinance or resolution setting the amount  
12 of and imposing the additional fee.

13 (c) The fee imposed pursuant to this section shall apply to any  
14 original registration occurring on or after the January 1 following  
15 the date of adoption of the ordinance and to any renewal of  
16 registration with an expiration date on or after that January 1.

17 (d) After deducting all costs incurred pursuant to this section,  
18 the department shall distribute the revenues derived from the fee  
19 to the county.

20 (e) Money allocated to the county under this section shall be  
21 expended only to fund programs for the construction,  
22 improvement, and maintenance of local streets and highways in  
23 the county.

24 SEC. 2. Due to the unique circumstances facing the City and  
25 County of San Francisco relating to the construction,  
26 improvement, and maintenance of its local streets and highways,  
27 the Legislature hereby finds and declares that a general statute  
28 cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of  
29 Article IV of the California Constitution. Therefore, the special



- 1 legislation contained within Section 1 of this act is necessarily
- 2 applicable only to the City and County of San Francisco.

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